

LAKE REGION IS SWEEPED BY STORM

In Some Places Wind Reached
Velocity of Seventy-
Two Miles.

SEVERAL ARE DEAD AND MANY INJURED

All Telegraph Wires East of Chi-
cago as Far as Pittsburg Go
Down—Barge Adrift With
Four Men and One Wo-
man—Many Out of
Work.

CHICAGO, ILL., April 7.—Telegraph
wires east of Chicago as far as
Pittsburg went down rapidly in
today's gale, according to telegraph
companies. Wheeling, W. Va., reported
every wire down east of that point. In
Chicago several persons suffered in-
juries from falling fences and
loosened sign boards.

Scores of plate-glass windows were
broken. Samuel Holland, an elevated
railroad conductor, was killed on the
roof of a box car on the Metropolitan
elevated tracks. The car roof was
lifted by the gale and carried in a
horizontal position like an airplane
more than a hundred feet. Holland
was none the worse for his experi-
ence.

Storm in South.
Reports of last night's storm dam-
age received here to-day are that ten
persons are known to have been killed
in Mississippi and at least fifteen were
injured.

At the Terrell plantation, east of
West Point, Miss., a number of negroes
were killed.

Reports from Western Tennessee
state the storm wrecked many small
buildings.

At Wabash, Ind., Mrs. James A.
Hayes and four children were pinned
down beneath the wreckage of their
home, which caught fire. The mother
was badly burned herself, being re-
scued, and will die. The children were
seriously hurt. The high wind was
followed by a cloudburst. Many
bridges are washed away. At Peru,
Ind., four factories and several school
buildings and many small structures
were wrecked by the wind. A dozen
houses were demolished in Wabash.
The damage will reach several thou-
sand dollars.

Storm at Detroit.
DETROIT, MICH., April 7.—A severe
rain and electrical storm which swept
over lower Michigan early last night
was followed by a windstorm of un-
usual violence, and many accidents and
at least one death have been reported.

Near Ionia lightning shot into a
farmhouse along a telephone wire and
killed eight-year-old Benjamin Hel-
mer and severely injured two other
children. Dozens of barns in Western
Michigan were set fire by lightning.

The wind has averaged from fifty
miles an hour in the Western part of
the State, and as high as sixty miles
in this city. One child was
severely injured on Michigan Avenue
here by a sign blowing down on her.

Eight Lives Lost.
At least eight persons lost their
lives in the storm that visited Detroit
and Michigan last night and to-day.
Anthony Kaup, a saloonkeeper; Joe
Kadich, a barber, and Adam Fein, all
of Wyandotte, attempted to cross the
Detroit River on a small boat. The
Wyandotte to Canada this afternoon
in a fifty-mile race to settle a wager
and all three were drowned when their
boats capsized. Kadich bet Kaup \$5
that he would dare to cross in the
small boat, and Fein was the stake-
holder.

At Kennings, in Missaukee county,
three young men, Bernard Carlson,
Charles Jacobson and John Torrey,
were killed by being caught under a
wall that was blown away by the wind
at the Mitchell Brothers' mill.

Eight-year-old Benjamin Hellmer
was killed by lightning near Ionia
last night, and Ray Miller was killed
at Brighton to-day, when he was
struck by a bolt that had been blown
off by the wind.

Rumors that a little boy and girl
were drowned while fishing at Belle
Island, Detroit, have not been con-
firmed.

The damage to roofs, chimneys, plate
glass, etc., will probably reach \$50,000
in Detroit and Michigan. The wind
velocity reached seventy miles an hour
early to-day.

Six Are Injured.
LONDON, ONT., April 7.—Six per-
sons were injured, one fatally, and
financial loss of fully \$50,000 was en-
tailed by a northwest hurricane, which
passed the city to-day. The Aber-
deen Public School, a tall chimney
crashed through the roof, impressing
300 pupils and creating a panic.

Many Laborers Injured.
Mary Laburtis, aged nine years, was
fatally injured, and four other pupils
were severely hurt. The fire depart-
ment worked rapidly, and succeeded
in quieting the children, who were re-
moved by means of ladders.

Many Out of Work.
TOLEDO, O., April 7.—Hundreds of
men out of work, thousands of dollars
damage done and many persons slight-
ly injured are the result of a hurricane
that visited Toledo and vicinity to-
day.

The wind attained a velocity of
sixty-nine miles an hour in this city.
The roof of the plant of the Massillon
Bridge Company, 180 by 400 feet, was
ripped off the city to-day. The Aber-
deen Public School, a tall chimney
crashed through the roof, impressing
300 pupils and creating a panic.

Pedestrians were injured by falling
signs, parts of roofs, chimneys and
limbs of trees, and many women were
bowled over by the wind.

In small towns near Toledo consid-
erable damage was done. Many
houses were struck by lightning and
the occupants stunned, but there are
reports of fatalities.

One Is Killed.
BUFFALO, N. Y., April 7.—From 3
o'clock until 6 this afternoon the wind
blew from the west at a velocity of
thirty to forty miles an hour. One
man was killed and many persons
were injured by parts of build-
ings.

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WHAT IS WHISKY

President Taft Is Now Referee of Dis-
cussion on the Subject.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 7.—The
bitter controversy which has been in
progress ever since the pure food law
was enacted as to "what is whisky?"
was renewed at the White House to-
day before President Taft as referee.

The debate called the services of
many distinguished lawyers, among
them Joseph S. Choate, former am-
bassador to Great Britain, and John G.
Carlisle, former Secretary of the
Treasury. In addition there were
present the representatives of practi-
cally all the distillers of this coun-
try. Mr. Choate appeared for Can-
adian interests. Mr. Carlisle repre-
sented distillers of his native State,
Kentucky. Attorney-General Wicke-
rham, Secretary of Agriculture Wil-
son, and Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, the
pure food expert, were among the gov-
ernment representatives heard.

The hearing continued for more than
two hours. This was the second time
the President had been called into the
controversy. Under a ruling of former
Attorney-General Bonaparte, in accord-
ance with an opinion by Dr. Wiley, all
whisky not aged and freed from fusel
oil by several years of storage in
white oak barrels, which have been
charred on the inside, has been made
subject to labeling under the head of
"imitation" or "compound" whisky.

The distillers who purify their product
by higher forms of mechanical recti-
fication and redistillation are among
the only "straight" distillers, and are
suffering damage from the system of
labeling now in vogue, whereas their
whisky is as pure and free from deleterious
ingredients as the whisky rectified in
the distillery.

The "straight" whisky on the mar-
ket, most Scotch whisky and some
higher grades of rye and sour mash
in use in this country are classed as
"imitation" at present.

At the conclusion of the conference
it was announced that the whole mat-
ter would be referred to Solicitor-Gen-
eral Bowers, of the Department of
Justice, who is to take testimony.

Some of the distillers wanted the mat-
ter referred to a board, but the Presi-
dent decided that the Solicitor-General
was the proper person to take the tes-
timony. When he has concluded, the
President will act.

NEW STAMP ISSUE

Postmaster-General Approves Design
for Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 7.—
Postmaster-General Hitchcock has ap-
proved one of a number of designs sub-
mitted for a new issue of stamp
commemorating the Alaska-Yukon-
Pacific Exposition.

The new stamp is rectangular, in
form and of the same size as that
issued to commemorate the Jamestown
Exposition. Panels at the top and bot-
tom contain respectively the words
"Alaska-Yukon-Pacific" and "Two Cents."

In the center of the stamp the larger
part of a circle rests on the lower panel
and encloses a ribbon bearing the in-
scription, "Alaska-Yukon-Pacific, 1909."

The circle frames the picture of a fu-
sual standing on a rocky shore. On
either side of the figure is an ellipse
containing the Arabic numeral 2, with
laurel branches as a background.

It is expected that the stamps will
be placed on sale about June 1, the
date of the opening of the exposition.

MRS. McLEAN PRESIDES

Is Confident Mrs. Scott Will Be Elected
President of the American People.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 7.—Mrs.
Donald McLean, president general of
the Daughters of the American Revolu-
tion, arrived here to-day for the presi-
dential election of the national
board prior to the convention, which
will meet here April 19.

More than 30,000 was reported in
the treasury, exclusive of the 250,000
paid in for the completion of the
Continental Hall, the permanent
marble home here of the daughters.

Mrs. McLean expressed the belief
that Mrs. Matthew Scott, the adminis-
tration candidate, will be elected as her
successor to the presidency of the so-
ciety. The inauguration of Mrs. Scott
as C. Story, State regent of New York, as
their candidate for president general.

FIRE IN NEW YORK

Electric Wires Fell Into Barrel of Oil,
Causing Explosion.

NEW YORK, April 7.—The high
winds here to-night are blamed for a
\$125,000 fire, which destroyed the regu-
larly elevated at the corner of Second
Avenue and One Hundred and Twenty-
fifth Street. A large sign, high, was
blown down shortly before 10 o'clock
this evening, and in falling dislodged
several electric wires, one of which
dropped into a barrel of oil.

Instantly there was an explosion,
which blew a section of the roof off
the building. At the moment later the
end of the structure was a mass of
flames. After an hour's fight the fire
was subdued, but the blaze to the
repair shop.

Lieutenant Damberg Will Be in
Charge of Experiments.

CASTRO ASHORE IN RAGE AT ENGLAND

Quits the French Vessel Gua-
deloupe at Fort-de-France,
Martinique.

UNITED STATES SHIP ARRIVES IN HARBOR

Pointing at Cruiser Montana, De-
posed President of Venezuela
Says He Is Not Yet Ready
to Go to St. Helena—No
Nation Desires
Him.

FORT DE FRANCE, April 7.—Clip-
pino Castro, in a rage against
the British government and the
State Department at Washington,
left the steamer Guadeloupe at this
port to-day and has taken up quarters
on shore. Finding all ports in the
West Indies excepting Port de France
barred against him, the present course
was the only one left open to the for-
mer Venezuelan dictator.

Senor Castro's wife will continue on
board the Guadeloupe to La Guayra.
The American cruiser Montana came
into port this morning.

The Guadeloupe, on board which Cas-
tro and his party sailed from France
March 25, after four months spent in
Europe, came to Port de France last
evening. While at Pointe d'Alfred,
on the island of Guadeloupe, where the
British consul had decided not to
permit him to disembark at Port
de France, he expressed himself as
decided to leave the Guadeloupe here.

The decision of the British govern-
ment to refuse him a passport, and the
State Department at Washington, not to
let him land at Trinidad was unofficially
communicated to Castro a second time
this morning. He expressed himself as
extremely annoyed and angry at this
decision, which he characterized as a
violation of the rights of man.

He was immediately placed under
arrest, and taken to the Second Police
Station, where the city ambulance was
called to treat him. The wound is not
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ORDWAY PULLER SHOT BY OFFICER

Former Legislator Wounded
in Leg by Policeman's
Bullet.

BROKE WINDOW OF BONINI'S BAR-ROOM

Two Officers Saw Window
Smashed, and Both Fired—In-
jured Man Arrested—His
Wound Is Not Thought
to Be Seri-
ous.

ORDWAY PULLER, a well-known
young lawyer of this city, and
member of the House
of Delegates, was shot in the leg by
an officer early this morning after he
had broken a window in Peter Boni-
ni's barroom, at Sixth and Marshall
Streets.

Officers Thomas and Talley saw Mr.
Puller in the act of smashing the win-
dow. They halted him, but he ran, and
they pursued, both firing. Neither
knew which shot took effect, but one
of the balls struck him, and the fugi-
tive fled.

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SACRED RULE OF HOUSE IS BROKEN

Speaker Cannon Tried in
Vain to Protect Stand-
ard Oil.

DELIVERED RULING, THEN MADE A SPEECH

Mr. Vreeland Offered Strong
Protective Amendment, and
When Mr. Norris Offered
Another Chair Ruled Him
Out of Order and House
Voted Against Chair.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 7.—
The barley schedule of the
Payne tariff bill was again
threatened in the House of Represen-
tatives to-day. The pending amend-
ments were one by Mr. Miller (Kansas),
increasing the Payne rate from 15 to
25 cents a bushel, and the other by
Mr. Alexander (New York), fixing the
rate at 10 percent ad valorem. The
Miller amendment was voted down,
whereupon Mr. Humphreys offered an
amendment raising the tax on beer
from \$1 to \$1.50 a barrel, but it went
out on a point of order by Mr. Payne.

The schedule next was considered.
Mr. Vreeland (New York) promptly of-
fered an amendment striking out the
countervailing duty on crude petroleum
and its products, and fixing the rate of
duty at 25 percent ad valorem. Im-
mediately Mr. Norris (Nebraska) pre-
sented an amendment fixing the rate
at 10 percent ad valorem.

"Point of order," shouted Mr. Dal-
zell (Pennsylvania), and then a dozen
members were on their feet.

Schedule Is Sacred.
"Is that schedule so sacred you can-
not amend it at all?" inquired Mr.
Clark (Missouri).

Mr. Dalzell answered that that was
the situation.

"Well," interjected Mr. Clark, "I will
try it any way."

If then offered an amendment put-
ting crude petroleum and its products
on the free list.

A long wrangle ensued over the
right of anyone to offer amendments
other than the one by Mr. Vreeland,
which it was stated by Mr. Dalzell,
was covered specifically by the rule.

In an elaborate decision, the chair
sustained the point of order, saying
that the Vreeland amendment was in
line with the rule. Mr. Norris am-
endment in consequence was barred.

From the decision, Mr. Clark (Mis-
souri) appealed, with the result that
on division the ruling was reversed 152
to 123.

Many Republicans, mostly from Wis-
consin and Kansas, voted with the
Democrats.

Chair Overruled.
Mr. Dalzell at once demanded tellers,
and the vote was against him 126 to
158.

This result finally rendered nega-
tive the chair's decision and opened up
the whole petroleum schedule for any
number of amendments. Great ap-
plause greeted the announcement of
the vote.

Mr. Fitzgerald (New York) in a
spirited speech took occasion to deny
the charge, which he said, had been
made by the Standard Oil Company,
that the Standard Oil Company was
controlling the Standard Oil Company.
He supported the Norris amend-
ment because he believed it would
seriously cripple the abilities of
the Standard Oil Company.

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A bitter attack against the Standard
Oil Company was made by Mr. Cooper
(Wisconsin) in favor of the Norris
amendment. Seeing the wave of sen-
timent in favor of the amendment
Speaker Cannon took the floor and
warned the men of the dangers ahead.
He made a plea for the American pro-
ducer of oil. The amendment, he de-
clared, was designed to punish the
wicked Standard Oil Company. "Gen-
tlemen," he said, "it is not well enough
to see when you seek to punish some-
body that you claim is bad that you
do not, like Samson, pull down the
pillars and have the temple fall upon
you." The adoption of the Norris
amendment, he said, would let in prac-
tically free refined oil from Mexico.
"Still the gentlemen from Wisconsin
and others flap their wings and crow
and cry about the Standard Oil com-
pany while they are denouncing this wicked
Standard Oil Company."

Another committee amendment adopt-
ed was increasing the duty on barytes
from 15 cents a ton, as provided in
the Payne bill, to \$1.50 a ton.

The bill was then laid aside, and the
House at 5:03 P. M. adjourned.

MR. GRENE RESIGNS

Mr. Williams Will Be Appointed Civil
Service Commissioner.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 7.—
Henry P. Grene to-day tendered to
President Taft his resignation as
Civil Service Commissioner, asking
that it be made effective on May 1.
It has been reported for some time
that the first vacancy on the com-
mission would be filled by the appoint-
ment of James T. Williams, Jr., of the
District of Columbia, and formerly a
newspaper man, who acted as secretary
to National Chairman Hitchcock dur-
ing a greater part of the presidential
campaign.

He is a native of South Carolina.
Commissioner Grene was appointed
from Minnesota. The President has
taken no action as yet in the matter.

TENDERED POST

Former Senator Fulton, of Oregon, May
Be Made Chairman.

CHANGES IN BILL

Ways and Means Committee Accepts a
Number of Amendments.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 7.—The
Ways and Means Committee to-day
agreed to several important amend-
ments to the Payne tariff bill.

The duty of crude coke was reduced
from 4 1/2 cents per ton to 3 1/2 cents.
Paragraph 427, relating to toys, was
stricken out, and a new one inserted,
excepting toys of rubber and porce-
lain, which are taxed at 35 per cent.
ad valorem, provided that only those
articles shall be taxed as toys which
are manufactured as playthings for
children.

Paragraph 325 was changed so as to
tax tire fabrics, or fabrics used for
pneumatic tires, at 45 per cent. ad
valorem. This is meant to tax long
staple cotton, used in the fabric.

In the steel and iron schedules, steel
ingots, blooms and slabs were reduced
from 1 cent to 8-10 of a cent and from
4-10 to 3-10 of a cent. The duty on
iron or steel was stricken out